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SUBJECT: TEXTILES: INFORMAL REQUEST CONCERNING LEVEL OF
CATEGORY 219.

1. TAIZO YOKOYAMA, COMMERCIAL SECRETARY OF JAPANESE
EMBASSY, WASHINGTON, HAS, ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM HIS
GOVERNMENT, REQUESTED USG REACTION SHOULD GOJ AUTHORIZE
EXPORTS OF 2.2 MILLION DOZEN OF CATEGORY 219 TEXTILES
(KNIT TOPS) TO THE UNITED STATES DURING CURRENT AGREEMENT
YEAR. THIS CATEGORY, UNDER TERMS OF DECEMBER 1975
ARRANGEMENT, HAS NO FIXED LEVEL. SHOULD SHIPMENTS
INCREASE SO AS TO CAUSE A REAL RISK OF MARKET DISRUPTION,
PARA 3 OF DECEMBER 1975 ARRANGEMENT PROVIDES FOR
CONSULTATIONS AND A MECHANISM BY WHICH USG MAY SET A LEVEL
ON IMPORTS.

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2. USG REPRESENTATIVE RESPONDED TO YOKOYAMA THAT

CATEGORY 219 IS AT PRESENT ONE OF MOST SENSITIVE IF NOT THE MOST SENSITIVE OF ALL APPAREL CATEGORIES AND SPECIFIED THAT NO REQUESTS FOR INCREASES IN LIMITATION LEVELS ARE BEING GRANTED. YOKOYAMA WAS ALSO TOLD THAT WE ARE CURRENTLY INVESTIGATING POSSIBILITY OF " A REAL RISK OF MARKET DISRUPTION" IN THIS CATEGORY AND WILL RESUME OUR "INFORMAL" DISCUSSIONS WITH HIM WHEN WE HAVE THIS DATA IN HAND. YOKOYAMA SAID THAT HE WOULD PASS THIS INFORMATION ON TO TOKYO.

3. FYI WE BELIEVE WE CAN WORK OUT MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE LEVEL OF IMPORTS FOR CATEGORY 219 WITHOUT UTILIZING PROVISIONS OF PARA 3 OF BILATERAL AND WOULD PREFER THIS SOLUTION TO FORMAL ACTION UNDER AGREEMENT. END FYI. KISSINGER

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